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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 February 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see applicant's remarks, filed on 02/24/2009, with respect to the rejection(s) of claims 1-4 under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made over Arend et al. (US PUB. 2002/0102968 hereinafter, "Arend") in view of Chung et al. (U.S PAT. 6,005,889 hereinafter, "Chung") and further in view of Sorrells et al. (U.S PAT. 6,853,690 hereinafter, "Sorrells").

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Arend et al. (US PUB. 2002/0102968 hereinafter, "Arend") in view of Chung et al. (U.S PAT. 6,005,889 hereinafter, "Chung") and further in view of Sorrells et al. (U.S PAT. 6,853,690 hereinafter, "Sorrells").

Consider claim 1, Arend teaches a CDMA signal generator comprising: an additive white Gaussian noise generator for generating a first broad band noise in an RF receiving band (page 2 [0021] and [0023]).

Arend does not explicitly show that a first signal generator for generating a first conversion frequency signal; a first mixer for mixing the first broad band noise in the RF receiving band with the first conversion frequency signal to provide a second broad band noise in an IF band, said IF band including a CDMA band and a remaining frequency band that is exclusive of the CDMA band; a SAW filter for attenuating a third broad band noise in the remaining frequency band within the IF band to a predetermined level to provide a substantially CDMA band noise.

In the same field of endeavor, Chung teaches a first signal generator (214) for generating a first conversion frequency signal (fig. 2 col. 4 line 58 through col. 5 line 15); a first mixer (206) for mixing the first broad band noise in the RF receiving band with the first conversion frequency signal to provide a second broad band noise in an IF band, said IF band including a CDMA band and a remaining frequency band that is exclusive of the CDMA band (fig. 1 col. 15 line 47 through col. 16 line 7); a SAW filter for attenuating a third broad band noise in the remaining frequency band within the IF band to a predetermined level to provide a substantially CDMA band noise (fig. 1 col. 15 line 47 through col. 16 line 7).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to use, a first signal generator for generating a first conversion frequency signal; a first mixer for mixing the first broad band noise in the RF

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receiving band with the first conversion frequency signal to provide a second broad band noise in an IF band, said IF band including a CDMA band and a remaining frequency band that is exclusive of the CDMA band; a SAW filter for attenuating a third broad band noise in the remaining frequency band within the IF band to a predetermined level to provide a substantially CDMA band noise, as taught by Chung, in order to provide CDMA output signal with little additional processing.

Arend and Chung, in combination, fails to teach a second signal generator for generating a second conversion frequency signal; and a second mixer for mixing the substantially CDMA band noise from the SAW filter with the second conversion frequency signal from the second signal generator to provide an output.

However, Sorrells teaches a second signal generator (3625) for generating a second conversion frequency signal (fig. 36, col. 40 lines 34-67); and a second mixer (3624) for mixing the substantially CDMA band noise from the SAW filter (3620) with the second conversion frequency signal from the second signal generator to provide an output (fig. 36, col. 40 lines 34-67).

Therefore, it is obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the disclosing of Sorrells into view of Arend and Chung, in order to provide upconvert a baseband signal directly from baseband-to-RF without any IF processing, while still meeting the spectral growth requirements of the most demanding communications standards.

Consider claim 2, Arend further teaches output is usable as a test input signal to an RF block unit (page 2 [0022]).

Consider claims 3 and 4, the examiner takes "Official Notice" of the fact that is notoriously well-known in the art to a passband of SAW filter is **about** 1.25 MHz and **about** 5 MHz, in order to provide the one-sided bandwidth of the CDMA signal is 0.6144 MHZ, so the digital signal from A/Ds is sampled at the minimum data rate of 1.2288 MHZ to satisfy sampling theory requirements.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, a passband of SAW filter is **about** 1.25 MHz and **about** 5MHz within Chung reference such that the one-sided bandwidth of the CDMA signal is 0.6144 MHZ, so the digital signal from A/Ds is sampled at the minimum data rate of 1.2288 MHZ to satisfy sampling theory requirements (col. 5 line 21-24).

Conclusion

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Maung Nay A. can be reached on (571) 272-7882. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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/Tuan H. Nguyen/
Examiner
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